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In the Restriction Requirement mailed February 16, 2005, the Examiner stated that the application contains claims directed to three distinct species of inventions, the first species, claims 1-9, which is drawn to the vacuum packaging machine with housing, classified in class 53, subclass 510, the second species, claims 10-21, which is drawn to the vacuum packaging machine with a locking hook and catch, classified in class 53, and the third species, claims 22-27, which is drawn to a control system, classified in class 700. The Examiner required the applicant to elect a single disclosed species for prosecution on the merits.

Applicants hereby elect for prosecution on the merits the first species, which is drawn to the vacuum packaging machine with housing, as represented by claims 1-9.

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